(*b*) whether the Sub-Assistant Surgeons are at present competent to issue the ordinary Health and Age certificates ;

(*c*) whether the Sub-Assistant Surgeons are at present competent to conduct inspection of school children ; and

(*d*) if the answer to parts (*b*) and (*c*) is in the negative, the reasons for this distinction ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Higher education and better knowledge are considered necessary to issue Health and Age certificates and to conduct inspection of school children. In the case of post-mortem examinations, the certificates issued are scrutinised by the Darbar Physician and the issuer himself is subject to examination in the Courts.

Roads in the Tiruvalla taluk

64. ✻**MR. N. E. VARUGHESE** (*Tiruvalla I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the respective lengths of the P. W. D. roads and the ryots' roads in the Tiruvalla taluk.

(*b*) the number of applications for ryots' roads to be taken up by the P. W. D. and the stages of enquiries in connection with the applications ; and

(*c*) the average gain to the Government per mile by taking up the ryots' roads ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) P. W. D. roads 158 miles. Ryots' roads 157 miles.

(*b*) Seven. Steps are in progress in respect of 2 cases to get the lands free of compensation. The remaining five are not cut according to the ryots' roads rules. So necessary instructions have been given to the ryots concerned to complete their roads as per the rules.

(*c*) The question of gain does not arise from the standpoint of Government.

Memorial by All-Travancore Political Congress.

65. ✻**MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a memorial was submitted to the Dewan on the 2nd May 1934 by or on behalf of the All-Travancore Politicial Congress ;

(*b*) if so, whether, in that memorial, the followiwg passage occurs :

"We beg leave in this connection to draw your pointed attention to the circumstance that gave a new turn to the agitation a few days previous to the recent Viceregal visit to this State. Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer and Mr. T. Austin conveyed to us through some of their visitors that Government was ready to redress our grievances if we would approach them in the proper spirit. These visitors were given to understand that, in case a few leading men of our communities

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